

The objective of the Town of Islip's Public Works Department's Winter Maintenance Program is to provide clear and safe roadways throughout the Town in an efficient and effective manner. While we do our part to keep roadways clear and safe, we are asking for a little assistance from you the resident to help make snow and ice removal operations more efficient. Listed below are a few simple suggestions.

- 1. Please limit travel during storms to trips that are absolutely necessary. Once roads have been sanded and salted, the potential for accidents is greatly reduced.**
- 2. Please park your vehicles in your driveways and off the road. If you must park on the street, try to park on one side of the street only. Cul-de-sac residents are specifically encouraged to follow this recommendation due to the limited turn around space. Parked cars hinder the speed and efficiency of our snow removal operation. When parking bans may be in effect, vehicles may only be parked in authorized areas. Vehicles parked in unauthorized areas may be towed.**
- 3. Snow plows are designed to remove snow from the roadway to the edge of the road. It is likely that the plow will leave behind a windrow of snow in front of your driveway. Residents are responsible for removing this snow.**
- 4. When snow plows are used during snow falls, the initial pass of the snow plow is made to open up the road for traffic flow. The following passes will push the snow to the curb line or road edge. This is necessary in order to allow for the drainage of melting snow into catch basins and to allow more space to plow future snow accumulations.**
- 5. Remove your portable basketball hoop from the street and place it on your property. The Town is not responsible for damages to the equipment.**
- 6. If you have Belgium Block curbing please mark your curb line with wooden or plastic stakes to limit any accidental damage by the plow.**
- 7. When calling the Public Works Department, please keep messages simple and direct. Be certain to state your name, phone number and the problem you're calling about and its location. We can be reached at 224-5610. Please contact us if you have any questions.**
- 8. Please adopt a fire hydrant if it is located near your house. The hydrant is there for your protection and it may be several days after a storm before they can be cleared.**

By following the recommendations listed above, you will be assisting us in providing you with safer and more efficient snow removal operations.